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In re Application of
Grayzel et al
Serial No.: 09/912,008
Filed: July 24, 2001
For: Stiffened Balloon Catheter for Dilatation:
And Stenting

DECISION ON PETITION

This is in response to applicants' petition filed April 18, 2005 to make the above-identified application special under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(c), based on the age of the applicant.

Applicant has satisfied the provisions set forth in M.P.E.P. 708.02, IV. Therefore the petition is **GRANTED**.

The application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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